

January 28th, 2024

# Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

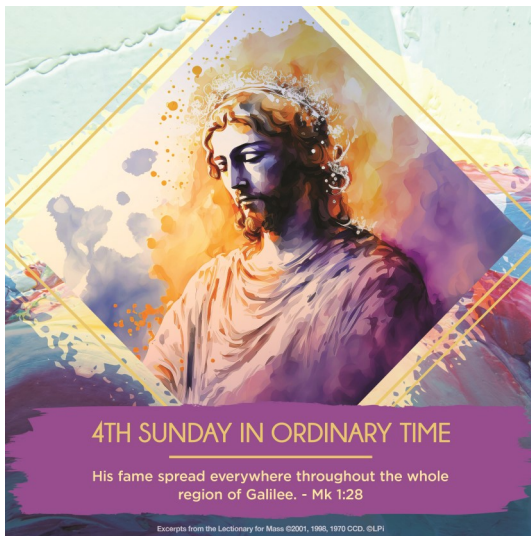
Parish Office located at 5350 SE Knight St.

Mailing Address: 5239 SE Woodstock BLVD, Portland, OR 97206

Office Telephone: (503) 775-6731 Fax Number: (503) 775-6732

Office Hours: Tuesday—Thursday 9:00 AM—3:30 PM Friday 9:00AM-11:00AM

Parish Website: [www.olspdx.org](http://www.olspdx.org) [facebook.com/ourladyofsorrowspdx](https://facebook.com/ourladyofsorrowspdx)  
[www.FORMED.org](http://www.FORMED.org)



## Mass Schedule

**Saturday Vigil:** 5:00 PM

**Sunday:**

8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

**Daily Mass:**

Wednesday through Friday, 12:00 PM

**Holy Days:** 12:00 PM and 7:00 PM

**Reconciliation:** Saturday, 3:30—4:30 PM

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Church  
from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

(Call the office for door access code)

**The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before each Mass.**

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish is a Catholic community of Christian believers devoted to the Holy Eucharist and called to proclaim the Good News of Jesus through evangelization and outreach.

## Assistance with rent, food, and utilities

**St. Vincent de Paul Emergency Services**

**Center: (503) 235-8431**

**#1 Food or #2 Rent/Utilities**

Monday Friday, 9:30 AM to 12 noon, and 1  
PM to 3:30 PM  
(Multnomah and Clackamas County)



### Parish Staff

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Carl Duyn, Finance

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### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Lec.71)

- 1) Deuteronomy 18:15-20
- 2) 1 Corinthians 7:32-35
- 3) Mark 1:21-28

**FOCUS:** Jesus taught as one having authority = having power of his own.

When Jesus speaks or teaches, his words have power – for example in today's Gospel by driving out demons. In our lives, Jesus can free us from anxiety and bring us into union with the Father in the kingdom to come. Unlike all the preceding prophets, Jesus does not simply convey God's word and commands, he *is* God's word in the flesh. His power derives from the Father, for he and the Father are one.

### Collection Information for 1/23

Weekly Offertory Goal: \$4,000.00

### Pastoral Council

Cathy Perisich, Sue Stoeger, Marijana Skoro,  
Tony Graham, Cynthia Roberti

### Finance Council

Damir Karin, Carl Duyn,  
Andjelique Skoro, Tim Crawley

Offertory	\$3152.00
Coffee and Doughnuts	\$44.00
Catholic Com. Campaign	\$294.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$200.00
Gymnasium Roof	\$1000.00

Thank you for supporting our parish!



Our church is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask in the Sacristy for a receiver to use.



Welcome to Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church. If you are new to the parish or have updated information, please cut out this form, fill in the information, and bring it to the Parish Office or put it in the collection basket.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ New Parishioner ☐ New Address ☐ New Phone # ☐ I would like Fr. Chrsipine to call me.

☐ I'm interested in parish ministries ☐ I would like to receive offertory envelopes

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Wed- 31st 12PM	Antoinette Santos Maria Santos
Thu-1st 12 PM	Dat Do Cong Phan Hoang
Fri-2nd 12 PM	Rodolfo Caraos Elenita Caraos
Sat-3rd 5 PM	Clint Dodge Greg & Cynthia Roberti
Sun-4th 8:30 AM	Dominic Ha Phan Hoang Clint Dodge Debora Speciale
11 AM	Pro Populo

Keep in mind that in times of Inclement weather, these intentions will be honored at a private Mass.

## PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Mon-29th	Office Closed
Tues-30th	Office Open 9-3:30 <b>No Mass</b>
Wed-31st	Office Open 9-3:30 <b>No Mass</b>
Thurs-1st	Office Open 9-3:30 <b>Mass 12pm</b>
Fri-2nd	Office Closed <b>Mass 12pm</b>
Sat-3rd	<b>Confessions 3:30-4:30PM</b> <b>Saturday Vigil Mass 5 PM</b>
Sun-4th	<b>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>Masses @ 8:30 AM and 11 AM</b> Coffee and Doughnuts

## Prayer Line

(503) 775—6731, Ext. 111

Call today with your prayer intentions.  
Our prayer warriors are standing by.



## Prayer Corner

Please pray for the following people who are ill or recently deceased:

✠ Philip Cox, ✠ Jim Kraus, ✠ Larry Kraus, Brian  
Jud ✠ Dick Johnson, ✠ Merceline Dasius, ✠ Shirley Franz,  
✠ Gordon Stadther, ✠ Anton Skoro, ✠ Dominic Ha

may you find consolation in knowing that you are thought of and prayed for in this time of need.



## THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION COUNTERS (01/30):

Jim, Holly, and Mary Ann

## February 4th : 5th Sunday in Ordinary time

### 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Body: Louisa D.  
Lector: Cynthia R.  
Servers: Louis O.

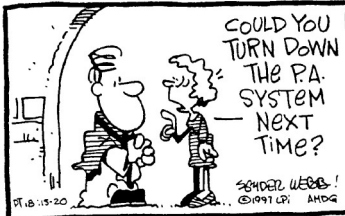
### 8:30 AM Sunday Mass

Body: Susan P.  
Lector: Tony G.  
Servers: Emeraude L., Jonathan S.

### 11:00 AM Sunday Mass

Body: Don P.  
Lector: Helena P.  
Server: Paul S., Milan S., Michael S.

4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



# What's Happening

## Lent 2024

It sure seems like Lent and Easter are early this year. February 14th is Ash Wednesday, marking the start of Lent. Easter will quickly follow arriving Sunday March 31st. We are excited about this beautiful season, and plan to have a full schedule of Lenten devotions that each of you can participate. Fridays Stations of the cross, followed by a simple Soup supper will be offered at 6:00 PM each Friday. Our Penance Service will be March 13th this year. Keep your eye out for a full Schedule for all of our Lenten devotions soon.

## Holy Week 2024

Holy week This year will begin on Sunday March 24th with Palm Sunday. Join our procession into Jerusalem waving our palms proclaiming the good news. Thursday March 28th is the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm followed by adoration until 10:30pm in the church. March 29th is Good Friday with mass at 7pm. March 30th is Easter Vigil with the Celebration beginning at 8:30pm. Volunteers are needed during our Lenten season. We will need people to help with Decorating the church, preparing candles, and ministers for the liturgy itself. Please contact Tony in the Parish Office if you would like to volunteer during our Lenten season.

## Parking Lot Campaign

"Merry Christmas & Happy New Years! Father Chrispine and the Finance council have been asking a lot from the parishioners of OLS. Here is an update on our fundraising for the parking lot, Gym roof, Wish list, and other parish maintenance needs.

From July 2023 you have contributed:

\$6,435 towards the Wish lists of the parish  
\$25,095 towards the restoration of the parking lot  
\$2,876 towards the replacement of the gymnasium roof.

Your continued support to keep our parish well maintained is greatly appreciated by both current parishioners and our future parishioners. Wishing you all the best in 2024"

## Old Convent

The Old Convent, the Blue House on 54th and Knight St., is available to rent. If you know of someone that may be interested in renting this property please contact us in the Parish office.

## Faith Formation for Youth and Adults

Wednesday evenings we continue to have Faith formation classes for our Youth seeking confirmation at 5:30pm, as well as Faith formation for Adults seeking Sacraments at 7:00pm. These classes are rich in content about our Faith. All are invited to attend.

## Bequests and Estate Planning

I give, devise, and bequeath the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to the Archdiocese of Portland, in Oregon, for the sole benefit of Our Lady of Sorrows Church, located at 5239 SE Woodstock Blvd, Portland, Oregon, to be used under the direction and control of Rev. Chrispine Otieno, Pastor, or the priest-in-charge at the time of my death.



# Worship & Meditation

## Readings for the week of January 28, 2024

### Sunday:

Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/  
1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

### Monday:

2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5,  
6-7/Mk 5:1-20

### Tuesday:

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/  
Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

### Wednesday:

2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6

### Thursday:

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab,  
11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

### Friday:

Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/  
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

### Saturday:

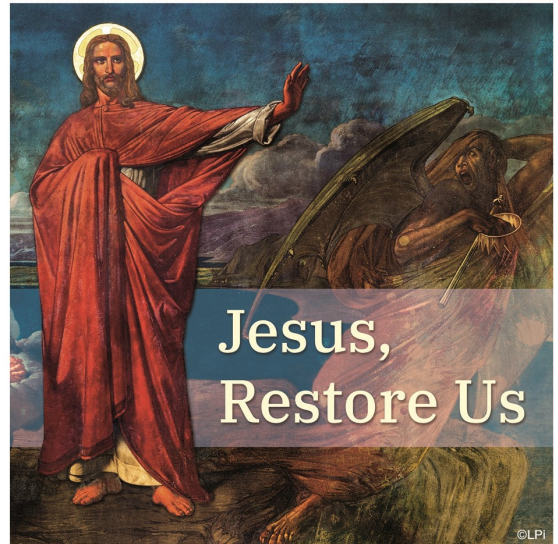
1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/  
Mk 6:30-34

### Next Sunday:

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6  
(see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

I love movies about exorcisms. Apparently, so do many others. The 2023 movie “Nefarious” features a possibly possessed inmate on death row. Critics were not impressed, but audiences scored it at 97% on the website Rotten Tomatoes. Most people have an appreciation for the demonic realm, even if cultural elites are generally embarrassed about it. As is standard in exorcism movies, the afflicted person (in this case, a man named Edward Brady) thinks and acts like *multiple* persons. He is someone besides himself. We know what that is like. We feel *fake* sometimes, not ourselves.

The same dynamic is on dramatic display this week in the Gospel. Jesus the Exorcist approaches a possessed man who utters, **“What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?”** Notice the plural, *us*. The basic effect of the demonic is division. The man’s identity is fractured, divided, and thus many. Jesus powerfully expels the spirit by saying, **“Quiet! Come out of him!”** Jesus’ word has the power to restore the man’s singularity — *him* — and indeed it does.

All this helps us to dismiss childish images of demons sporting red goat tails. Equally, it overcomes the cultured aloofness that dreams demons are mere metaphors for evil. We see instead that fallen angels are conscious and intelligent beings who orient their agency toward division. They bring about schism where there should be unity, e.g., in persons, families, communities, politics, and so on. Thankfully, Jesus commands demons to flee from all these places to restore wholeness and peace. What if we made room for his word where we need it?

— Father John Muir